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UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

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Attorney Docket No. 213789
Client Reference No.
First Inventor BLAKE, Laurence S.
Title APPARATUS FOR LOADING AND UNLOADING A SUPPLY OF PLATES IN AN AUTOMATED PLATE HANDLER
Express Mail Label No. EV329749399

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APPLICATION ELEMENTS

1. ☒ Utility Patent Application Transmittal Form
2. ☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.
3. ☒ Specification (including claims and abstract) [Total Pages 24]
4. ☒ Drawings [Total Sheets 8]
5. ☒ Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney [Total Pages 3]
 - a. ☐ Newly executed
 - b. ☒ Copy from prior application [Note Box 6 below]
 - i. ☐ Deletion of Inventor(s) Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application
6. ☒ Incorporation by Reference: The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which an oath or declaration is supplied under Box 5b is considered as part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference.
7. ☒ Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76
8. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Computer Program (Appendix)
9. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission
 - a. ☐ Computer Readable Form (CRF)
 - b. Specification Sequence Listing on:
 - i. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); or
 - ii. ☐ Paper Copy
 - c. ☐ Statement verifying identity of above copies

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ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

10. ☐ Applicant requests early publication. (include publication fee under 37 CFR 1.18(d))
11. ☐ Assignment Papers (cover sheet and document(s))
12. ☐ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement (when there is an Assignee)
13. ☒ Power of Attorney
14. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
15. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
 - ☐ Form PTO-1449
 - ☐ Copies of References (except for U.S. patents and applications)
16. ☒ Preliminary Amendment
17. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (Should be specifically itemized)
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19. ☐ Request & Certification Under 35 USC 122(b)(2)(B)(i) (Form PTO/SB/35 or its equivalent must be submitted with this application to prevent publication at 18 months)
20. ☐

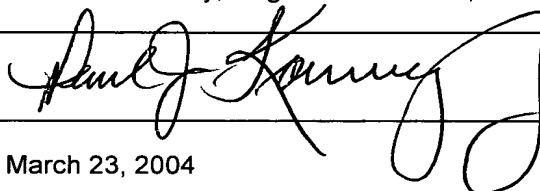
21. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box and supply the requisite information below:
- ☐ Continuation ☒ Divisional ☐ Continuation-in-part of prior application no. 09/615,931, which is a divisional of application nos. 08/693,712 and 08/690,699
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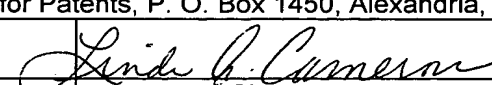
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